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In the Matter of)	
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Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband,)	PS Docket No. 06-229
Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700)	
MHz Band)	

To: Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Pursuant to the Commission's *Waiver Order*, ¹ the District of Columbia ("District") here provides its second 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Quarterly Report.

Planning. Though the District submitted a request for broadband stimulus funding to support the build-out of a network under the District's conditional waiver, the request was not granted. In developing that funding request, the District designed a leveraged network architecture and deployment model, but it will be unable to solidify such plans unless and until it identifies alternative funding. Issuance of any request for proposals would of course have to wait until funding is available.

Funding. The District is working to identify an alternative funding source.

Deployment. Devices of the type required by the District (LTE in Band Class 14, as well as commercial 3G and 4G capabilities) are not yet available in the marketplace.

¹ In the Matter of Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks, PS Docket No. 06-229, FCC 10-79 (May 12, 2010) ("Waiver Order"), ¶ 64.

The District is attempting to identify funds to provide user devices for an initial deployment of 3,000 first responders.

The District already has 12 sites fully prepared as a result of its earlier 700 MHz broadband pilot initiatives (Flarion OFDMA and Alcatel-Lucent EVDO Rev. A). As part of the leveraged network model, the District would also locate base stations at sites where a commercial carrier is already deploying LTE equipment; no new site builds are contemplated. Until the District receives funding and executes a procurement vehicle, it will not know for sure which sites it will use.

Respectfully submitted,

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